

THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
STATE OF IDAHO
BOISE

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2003-04

**CONTINUING THE GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON ADOLESCENT PREGNANCY PREVENTION,
REPLACING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 99-11**

WHEREAS, the percentage of adolescents giving birth remains alarmingly high in Idaho; and

WHEREAS, the incidence of inadequate prenatal care, out-of-wedlock babies, low-birth weight babies, and infant deaths is significantly higher for adolescent mothers; and

WHEREAS, in 1997, approximately 2,789 Idaho females aged 10 to 19 became pregnant, at a rate of 54 pregnancies per week; and

WHEREAS, twenty-eight percent of Idaho's adolescent pregnancies are repeat pregnancies; and

WHEREAS, adolescent childbearing causes delays in school completion or alters the young mother's aspirations for home, school, or career; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of all Idahoans to prevent unintended adolescent pregnancies; and

WHEREAS, the most effective response to the problems of adolescent pregnancy is to prevent adolescents from becoming sexually active;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DIRK KEMPTHORNE, Governor of the State of Idaho, by the authority vested in me under the Constitution and laws of this state do hereby continue the Governor's Council on Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention.

The duties of the Council shall include:

- 1. Development and implementation of a statewide campaign focused on delaying sexual activity by adolescents, and*
- 2. Assessing the impact of the campaign on reducing the rate of adolescent pregnancy and reporting the results annually.*

The Council shall be limited to no more than 19 members appointed by the Governor.

The members shall serve two-year terms. A chair of the Council shall be appointed annually by the Governor.

The Council members shall include persons representing:

*Public health/welfare
Education
Clergy
Private business
Parents
Adolescents
Local elected officials
Health care providers
Media*

The Department of Health and Welfare will provide administrative support to the Council.

This Order replaces Executive Order No. 99-11.

This Executive Order shall cease to be effective four years after its entry into force



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this eighth day of July in the year of our Lord two thousand and three, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred twenty-seventh and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred thirteenth.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Dirk Kempthorne".

DIRK KEMPTHORNE
GOVERNOR

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Ben Rayburn".

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SECRETARY OF STATE